

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:)	Before the Examiner
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NATURAL TISSUE DEVICES AND)	
METHODS OF IMPLANTATION)	February 11, 2008

**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS IN SUPPORT OF
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 11, 2007, and in response to the Advisory Action mailed January 30, 2008, please consider the following.

A response to the Final Office Action was initially filed December 11, 2007, which is within two months from the date of mailing of the Final Office Action. An Advisory Action was mailed on January 2, 2008. A second response to the Final Office Action was then filed on January 11, 2008, which is within three months from the date of mailing of the Final Office Action. A second Advisory Action was mailed on January 30, 2008, the period of reply being due within four months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action or February 11, 2008 with a one-month extension of time. On January 29, 2008, the United States Patent and Trademark Office charged our deposit

account, No. 23-3030, \$120.00 for fee code 1251, extension for response within first month (copy enclosed). Since this fee was charged to our deposit account, the deadline for response is believed currently to be February 11, 2008. Accordingly, since a one month extension of time has been paid, it is believed that no further extensions of time are required for this response dated February 11, 2008. In the event a further extension is required, please grant any such extension.

Non-entry of amendments dated December 11, 2007 and January 11, 2008 is requested. Entry of enclosed amendment and remarks dated February 11, 2008 is requested.

A credit card payment of \$810 is included herewith for the basic RCE fee. Please charge any additional fees due to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include the payment of any issue fees.